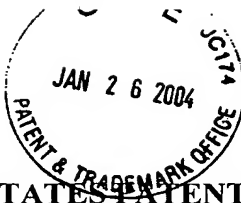


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Sir:

Submitted herewith are five (5) sheets of formal drawings comprising figures 1-5 for the above-identified patent application. Acknowledgment of receipt in respectfully requested. Please substitute these formal drawings for the drawings which were filed with the application.

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